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SUBJ: UN MISSION TO CAPE VERDE

REF: USUN 4612

1. SUMMARY: USUN HAS LEARNED THAT A UN "MISSION" (SEE PARA FIVE OF REF) HEADED BY SIR ROBERT JACKSON, UN UNDER SECRETARY FOR ASSISTANCE TO CAPE VERDE, INDO CHINA AND ZAMBIA, WILL VISIT CAPE VERDE FROM NOVEMBER 13 TO NOVEMBER 20. END SUMMARY.

2. IN ADDITION TO JACKSON, THE UN TEAM WILL CONSIST OF BERNT BERNANDER (SWEDISH) UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE IN ZAIRE, A REPRESENTATIVE OF UNICEF AND POSSIBLY A REPRESENTATIVE OF WFP.

3. ACCORDING TO ANDREW JOSEPH, UNDP DEPUTY ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR AFRICA:

A) THE UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAM FOR CAPE VERDE FOR THE
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PERIOD 1977-1981 TOTALS \$3.75 MILLION OF WHICH \$700,000

(ALREADY PROGRAMMED) WILL BE EXPENDED IN 1977.

B) IT IS PRESENTLY ESTIMATED THAT THE UN SYSTEM AS A WHOLE WILL PROVIDE APPROXIMATELY \$12.7 MILLION TO CAPE VERDE OVER THE PERIOD 1976-1977 WITH THE BULK OF THAT AID COMING FROM THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM.

C) SINCE FEBRUARY 1975 MANY REPRESENTATIVES (HE ESTIMATED AT LEAST FIFTY) OF UN AGENCIES HAD VISITED CAPE VERDE AND WRITTEN NUMEROUS REPORTS. ONE OF THE MAJOR TASKS OF THE JACKSON TEAM WILL BE TO SIFT THROUGH THESE REPORTS AND PRODUCE A SYNTHESIS THAT WOULD BE OF USE TO CAPE VERDE OFFICIALS.

D) THE UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE IN CAPE VERDE (ASPLUND - A SWEDE) HAS RECENTLY REPORTED THAT HE ESTIMATES EIGHT OF NINE INTERESTED BILATERAL DONORS (INCLUDING SAUDI ARABIA) HAVE OVER THE PAST 20 MONTHS PROVIDED AND/OR PLEDGED SOMETHING IN THE ORDER OF \$80 MILLION OF ASSISTANCE TO CAPE VERDE.

E) MUCH OF THE ASSISTANCE PLEDGED BY BILATERAL DONORS HAS NOT YET BEEN PROGRAMMED. THUS THE OTHER MAJOR TASK OF THE JACKSON TEAM WILL BE TO ADVISE AND GENERALLY ASSIST THE CAPE VERDIANS REGARDING HOW BEST TO PROGRAM THE UNPROGRAMMED ELEMENTS OF THE PLEDGED BILATERAL ASSISTANCE IT HAS ALREADY OBTAINED.

F) WHILE SIR ROBERT IS IN THE GENERAL AREA HE HAS ALSO BEEN ASKED BY SYG WALDHEIM TO CONFER WITH GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS IN GUINEA BISSAU. THIS IS AN OUTGROWTH OF A RECENT MEETING IN NEW YORK BETWEEN WALDHEIM AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF GUINEA BISSAU. SCRANTON

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